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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for defining and deploying a networked computer system features creating and storing a textual representation of a logical configuration of the networked computer system according to a structured markup language. Based on the textual

5   representation, one or more commands are generated for configuring an operable computer system that conforms to the logical configuration. The commands may be directed to devices that are interconnected to one or more computing elements and storage devices, to instruct the devices to logically connect the computing elements and storage devices into the computer system. As a result, a real-world virtual server farm or data center may be created

10   and deployed substantially instantly.

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